

CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An interactive risk management system comprising:
 - a computer including:
 - a processor;
 - an input device;
 - a display for displaying a graphic user interface including a browser;
 - a memory; and
 - a mapping of a plurality of processes and at least one risk message associated with at least one of the plurality of processes stored in the memory;
 - wherein the processor, in response to user selections through the input device, displays to the user through the browser the mapping of the plurality of processes, with each of a set of the displayed processes having an associated user actuatable display region; and
 - wherein the processor, in response to user actuation of an actuatable display region of a selected process, displays to the user through the browser the at least one risk message associated with the selected process, thereby allowing the user to gain information about the selected process and its associated risks.

2. The interactive risk management system of claim 1, wherein the memory is accessible through a computer network, whereby any user, using the browser and communicating via the computer network, may access and view the mapping and may actuate the actuatable display regions to selectively view the at least one risk message.

3. The interactive risk management system of claim 2, wherein the computer network is an intranet.

4. The interactive risk management system of claim 2, wherein the computer network is the Internet.

5. The interactive risk management system of claim 1, wherein the actuatable display regions are associated with link data addressing linkable data stored in the memory; and

wherein the processor, in responsive the actuation of a selective actuatable display region, communicates with the memory via a respective link data to retrieve the corresponding linkable data.

6. The interactive risk management system of claim 5, wherein the link data is a hyperlink.

7. The interactive risk management system of claim 1, wherein the processor operates mapping software to display the mapping and the plurality of processes as graphical representations on the display.

8. The interactive risk management system of claim 7, wherein the mapping software displays a graphical stop sign image on the display to indicate risk information available to the user.

9. The interactive risk management system of claim 7, wherein the mapping software displays the processes in a multi-dimensional format.

10. The interactive risk management system of claim 7, wherein the mapping software displays subsets of the plurality of processes in a plurality of horizontal tracks, with the horizontal tracks oriented one above the other vertically.

11. The interactive risk management system of claim 7, wherein the mapping software is MICROSOFT VISIO graphics software.

12. An interactive risk management method for providing risk information associated with one or more of a plurality of processes, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a computer including a processor, an input device, a display, and a memory;

displaying a graphic user interface including a browser on the display;

storing in the memory a mapping of a plurality of processes;

storing in the memory at least one risk message associated with at least one of the plurality of processes;

receiving at the processor user command signals entered through the input device;

displaying to the user through the browser the mapping of the plurality of processes, with each of a set of the displayed processes having an associated actuatable display region;

receiving at the processor signals corresponding to user actuation of an actuatable display region of a selected process; and

displaying to the user through the browser, in response to the user actuation, the at least one risk message associated with the selected process, thereby allowing the user to gain information about the selected process and any associated risk.

13. The interactive risk management method of claim 12, further comprising:
providing to of the memory by users using a browser connected to a
computer network;
communicating command signals through the computer network to access
and display to the user the mapping; and
actuating the actuatable display regions to selectively view the at least one
risk message.

14. The interactive risk management method of claim 13, wherein the
computer network is an intranet.

15. The interactive risk management method of claim 13, wherein the
computer network is the Internet.

16. The interactive risk management method of claim 12, further comprising:
associating actuatable display regions with link data addressing linkable
data stored in the memory;
responding at the processor to actuation of a selective actuatable display
region to communicate with the memory via a respective link data; and
retrieving the corresponding linkable data.

17. The interactive risk management method of claim 16, wherein the link data is a hyperlink.

18. The interactive risk management method of claim 12, further comprising the step of:

operating at the processor mapping software to display the mapping and the plurality of processes as graphical representations on the display.

19. The interactive risk management method of claim 18, wherein the mapping software displays subsets of the plurality of processes in a plurality of horizontal lanes, the horizontal lanes being oriented one above the other vertically.

20. The interactive risk management method of claim 18, wherein the mapping software is MICROSOFT VISIO graphics software.